

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1316

Introduced by Assembly Member Parra

February 21, 2003

An act to add Section 4400.37 to the Health and Safety code, relating to air pollution.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1316, as introduced, Parra. Air pollution: coastal districts.

Existing law establishes a motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program (smog check), administered by the Department of Consumer Affairs and the State Air Resources Board, that provides for the inspection of all motor vehicles, except those specifically exempted from the program, upon registration, biennially upon renewal of registration, upon transfer of ownership, and in certain other circumstances. Existing law also establishes an enhanced motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program (smog check II) in each urbanized area of the state, any part of which is classified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a serious, severe, or extreme nonattainment area for specified air contaminants.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to require in subsequent amendments that all air quality management districts and air pollution control districts located along the state's coastline between Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay Area implement the enhanced vehicle inspection and maintenance program, irrespective of each district's attainment status.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the
2 following:
3 (1) The eight-hour health standard for ozone was exceeded in
4 the Central Valley in nearly two-thirds of the days between May
5 and October 2002.
6 (2) By November 2002, 124 health violations had occurred.
7 (3) The incidence of asthma has been sharply increasing in
8 young and elderly Central Valley residents in recent years.
9 (4) The transport of air contaminants from coastal regions
10 contributes to the overall poor air quality in the Central Valley.
11 (b) It is therefore the intent of the Legislature in subsequent
12 amendments to require that all air quality management districts
13 and air pollution control districts that are located along the state's
14 coastline between Los Angeles and the San Francisco Bay Area
15 implement the enhanced vehicle inspection and maintenance
16 program, irrespective of each district's attainment status with
17 respect to state and federal ambient air quality standards.

